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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On Title Page, Item (57) col. 2, third line of ABSTRACT, delete "a first vertebral contact surface for engagement with an endplate of a first vertebral bone in the spinal column, and having".

Tenth line of ABSTRACT, "column; and" should read --column. The apparatus includes--.

Eleventh line of ABSTRACT, delete "second vertebral contact surface for engagement with an endplate of a second vertebral bone in the spinal column, and having a".

Fourteenth line of ABSTRACT, delete "at least".

Nineteenth line of ABSTRACT, "column," should read --column.--

Nineteenth line of ABSTRACT, delete "wherein: an intervertebral disc space is defined substantially between the first and second endplates of the first and second vertebral bones, and".

Twenty first line of ABSTRACT, "the" should read --The--.

Twenty third line of ABSTRACT, "such" should read --so--.

Twenty fifth line of ABSTRACT, "the intervertebral" should read --an intervertebral--.

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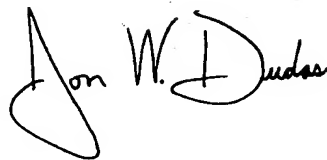
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twenty fifth line of ABSTRACT, delete "to enable the first and second vertebral bones to articulate in at least one of flexion, extension and lateral bending" and insert the following:--. The first member has a first center of rotation located below the articulation surfaces during flexion/extension and a second center of rotation located above the articulation surfaces during lateral bending.--.

Signed and Sealed this

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is stylized, with the first name "Jon" and last name "Dudas" clearly legible, and the middle initial "W." in between. The signature is written over a faint, rectangular stamp that is mostly illegible.

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